

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 732

By Halford

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Anna Richardson for her accomplishments during her basketball career and upon the retirement of her Gibson County High School basketball jersey.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those citizens who, through unwavering dedication and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves as exceptional athletes and community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Anna Richardson, whose Gibson County High School (GCHS) Lady Pioneers #25 basketball jersey officially was retired, a most befitting recognition of her outstanding accomplishments in the arena of sports as a student-athlete; and

WHEREAS, this humbling honor is bestowed on those few extraordinary athletes whose dazzling feats in the sporting arena have caused them to shine brightly in the eyes of their many fans and supporters; and

WHEREAS, Anna Richardson starred as an exceptional guard on the GCHS basketball team from 1989 until 1992; and

WHEREAS, setting the school record for most three-point baskets scored, she holds membership in the elite 1,000 point club and is the school's fourth all-time leading scorer with 1,203 career points; and

WHEREAS, as an All-State guard, she excelled at her position, and led the Lady Pioneers to the State tournament in 1989 and 1991; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she was selected three times to the All-District team, three times to the All-Region team, and two times to the All-State team; she

was also selected to the All-West Tennessee team, Best of the West team, and the USA Today All-American team; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, her athletic prowess and many talents were recognized with her induction into the Gibson County Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Anna Richardson, a woman of true character and commitment, exemplifies dedication and leadership, and she is admired by her fellow Tennesseans for her tireless efforts to excel, always guided by solid principles and high standards, whether in the athletic arena or in the actions of her daily life; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we join with the family and friends of Anna Richardson in congratulating her upon the retirement of her Gibson County High School Lady Pioneers #25 basketball jersey, commend her for her substantial legacy as a student-athlete, and offer our deep appreciation for the dedication that she has shown our State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.